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CEREMONIES PLANNED FOR AIR MAIL WEEK IN CITY

To join in the nationwide observance of the 30th Anniversary celebration of the United States Air Mail Service, which is to be held during the week of May 15 to 21, special plans to hold civic ceremonies in Torrance to mark this historic event are now being initiated. Postmaster C. Earl Conner has announced.

"The story of the growth of Air Mail since May 15, 1918," Postmaster Conner said, "when a single-motor open cockpit plane took off from East Potomac Park in Washington, D. C., bound for New York City, 218 miles away, is a thrilling chapter in our national life. For it contains all the elements that go into the growth and development of a nation and its people—perseverance, patience, courage, hope, and faith.

"The success of that original 218-mile route," Postmaster Conner stated, "is today represented in a network of 130,000 miles of air routes in the United States, and a foreign air service that reaches into every country on the globe. Air mail was, perhaps more than any other factor, responsible for the development of an air transport system and aviation industry unequalled anywhere in the world—a combination which serves our nation in a world at peace, and which is and has proved itself a real bulwark in protecting the ideals of those who want government based on democratic principles.

"Air Mail," Postmaster Conner added, "is more than a means of speeding communications across the land and to foreign countries; rather, it is synonymous with our national well-being and our hopes and aspirations for future progress. In these momentous days of decision, it is gratifying to know, because of the impetus given to aviation by the United States Air Mail Service, that we have available a potent instrument for good, not only for ourselves but for the world.

"As Postmaster of Torrance, I call upon the citizens of Torrance to join with me in observing the 30th Anniversary of Air Mail during the week of May 15."

Civil Service Board Questions Residence Act

Residence requirements for employment by the City of Torrance were questioned Tuesday night by the Civil Service Board and resulting confusion caused the City Council to adjourn on Wednesday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. to meet with the Civil Service group.

The status of the resolution adopted in August, 1947, waiving the one-year residence requirement for new employees was thrown in doubt. In view of the effect which the City Charter has on amendments to ordinances.

When the Charter was ratified Jan. 7, 1947, thus becoming effective, the one-year residence requirement was contained in an ordinance automatically continued in effect under the Charter, it was pointed out. Whether or not the Council has the power to amend the Civil Service ordinance by its own action is the question yet to be settled.

City Attorney C. Douglas Smith is studying the matter and will meet with the two bodies.

The question came up when objections were voiced to opening the door to employment of non-residents as police officers, in view of the fact that there are no Torrance men on the eligible list.

Smith pointed out that the state is waiving residence requirements in employment of highway patrolmen, and is accepting men from outside California. He declared that this is a precedent which can likely be followed here.

The Council also took under consideration a request of the Civil Service Board that all employees be paid time and one-half for overtime instead of being required to take time off. The requirement that employees take time off for over time was installed as an economy measure last year.

City Council Salary Removal Declared Legal

Uncertainty over the effect of the recent action of the voters of Torrance in adopting the proposition that salaries of members of the City Council shall be withheld, City Attorney C. Douglas Smith this week ruled the new members must serve without salary and the two holdovers may draw their pay until the end of their terms in 1950.

"The act which created the Charter provides that the same percentage of votes which gave the salary can 'diminish' it," Smith said. "In this case, the salary was provided by a simple majority and may be taken away by such a majority."

At the election of April 13, the proposition to eliminate the salary of each Councilman (\$50 a month) was approved by a vote of 1439 to 1425. It cannot apply to holdover councilman since it is ruled that salaries of an officer may not be lowered during period for which he was elected.

CITY OFFICIALS SEE PIPE MADE IN FONTANA PLANT

Torrance city officials, guests of Water Superintendent W. H. Stanger, saw that much-needed article—water pipe—in the mak-

ing at the Fontana steel plant of Henry Kaiser, Friday. Making the trip were members of the City Council, City Administrator Geo. W. Stevens, City Attorney C. Douglas Smith and former Councilman B. C. Buxton.

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Today's short short STORY

As it will soon be MOTHER'S DAY . . . we are reminded of the lessons which our Mother gave us on both the necessity and value of thrift and economy.

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Three Negroes Rob Couple In Palos Verdes

Three negroes, armed with revolvers, early Monday held up and robbed Scott D. Betts, 22, of 5947 Seventh avenue, Los Angeles of \$56 and Eddie Harris, 16 of 1226 West 102nd street, Los Angeles of \$12 on Palos Verdes Drive.

Sheriff's officers in charge of the investigation reported that the victims while in Betts car were forced off the road, approximately one mile west of Crenshaw boulevard, by the bandits, who had trailed the former's auto.

After forcing the car off the road, the bandits compelled the victims to turn over their billfolds while menacing them with their weapons.

After extracting the money the bandits returned the wallets to the victims.

Wiping away all fingerprints in the Betts car, the robbers took the car keys from the victim, before driving away.

Torrance Boys To See Soap Box Derby Film

"Magic of Youth" a 20-minute motion picture of the 1947 Soap Box Derby Races will be shown to all interested boys in the Torrance High School auditorium on May 3 at 2 p.m., it was announced this week by Paul Loranger, Chevrolet dealer.

Prospective entrants in the Soap Box Derby, which will be sponsored locally by Paul's Chevrolet and the Kiwanis Club, will learn from the film what the requirements are as to cost of the little motor-less racers, wheel size, and other mechanical restrictions.

YOUR FIRE BILL \$4.81

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